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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF SEARSMONT

MAINE

ASSESSORS' NOTICE

The Assessors of Searsmont
will be in session on
Saturday, 7 April 1984
from 10:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.
at the Community Building
for the purpose of correcting and
up-dating any assessment records

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TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor*

John H. Thorne† Clarence W. Drinkwater† John F. Robson†

Assessors*

John H. Thorne (85)

Clarence W. Drinkwater (84)†

John F. Robson (86)

Town Treasurer*

Harleth H. Davist

Town Clerk and Tax Collector*

Claudia Lewist

Director of M.S.A.D. No. 34*

Phyllis V. Thorne (86)

Superintendent

Richard E.A. Marx

Health Officer^a

Annie Cilley^a

Fire Department*

Chief — Basil Pearse Jr. †

Asst. Chief — Norman Roberts

Road Commissioners*

(North) Frederick Lucast

(East) Ronald Fullert†

(South) Howard Clark†

Constable^a

Edgar Pert

Carroll Patten

Sexton*

Steven Gracie

Civil Defense Director*

Charles Weggler†

Registrar of Voters^a

Irene Moroney

Ballot Clerks^a

Irene Mehuren

Raymond LaRoche Paulette Pert

Planning Board Members*

James Aldus, Chm. (1984)†

Irene Moroney (1985)

Raymond Gould (1986)

Arlinda Pearce (1985)

Jenness Robbins (1986)

Tom Wills (1984)†

Parks and Recreation Committee

Jeannie Gerrish — Debbie Heath, Co-Chm.

Nancey Pound, Sec. *

Bonnie McGuire — Ellen Barnard

Cemetery Board*

Jane Robson, Chm. (1984)†

Ann Robbins (1986)

Annie Cilley (1985)

Edith Shepard (1985)

Dorothea Ferbrache (1986)

Plumbing Inspector^a

James Moody; Tel. 763-3058

Representative to the Legislature

Carol Allen

Tel. 845-2704 — 1-800-452-4601

Member of the State Senate

Melvin Shute

Tel. 567-3364 — 1-800-452-4601

Boston Post Cane**Searsmont's Oldest Resident**

Hilda M. Hill

Age 94

* Elected Office

^a Appointed Office

† Term of Office ends 1984

ASSESSORS' REPORT

In 1983 we needed to raise an additional 7½% over the previous year. We were able to keep the tax within a ½ mil of last year by reducing the local expenditures and taking more from the Town's Surplus.

In the coming year it appears that a tax increase of 10% is probable.

Assessment for 1983

County Tax	\$ 19,930.20
Municipal Appropriations	14,739.00
Education	165,224.34
Overlay	<u>5,881.83</u>
	\$205,775.37
Less State Revenue Sharing	9,777.54
Tax Commitment	195,997.83
Adjustments — Less Abatements	<u>- 475.38</u>
SUBTOTAL	195,522.45
Plus — Supplemental Tax	<u>+ 486.41</u>
Final Tax Commitment	\$196,008.86

Respectfully submitted,

John H. Thorne, Chm.
Clarence W. Drinkwater
John F. Robson

TOWN PROPERTY

Old Town Hall Site	\$ 1,500.00
Community Building and Land	40,000.00
Road Machinery	100.00
Two Road Sanders	5,000.00
Three Safes	300.00
Snow Fence	700.00
Office Furniture	600.00
Adding Machine	100.00
Typewriters	600.00
Fire House and Land	53,000.00
Fire Equipment	40,000.00
Fraternity Park	7,000.00
State of Maine, Ruffingham Meadow	15,000.00
Annex to Oak Grove Cemetery	3,000.00
Sanitary Landfill	11,000.00
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	\$177,900.00

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

We wish to report that 1983 was another successful year with the town expenditures held within the funds allocated at the last town meeting. It was necessary to borrow money in anticipation of taxes to bridge the gap between the beginning of our fiscal year and the collection of taxes. This was accomplished with a financial gain to the town as interest collected on investment of the loan exceeded the cost of the loan. It has become evident that we are consuming our surplus at a greater rate than is prudent. It was strongly recommended at the Budget Meeting that this be sharply curtailed.

We had a series of heavy rain storms in the early spring and late fall that caused considerable damage to gravelled roads. This made it necessary to exceed the budgeted amount to keep those roads passable. The loss of State Department of Transportation program two years ago is showing in deteriorating roads. Previously we had certain roads resurfaced or rebuilt under state supervision at a fraction of the cost. Now we have to bear the major cost and are requesting increased expenditures for most of the roads in this coming year.

During the summer we obtained the services of local youths under the Summer Youth Program which enabled us to continue insulation of the Community Building, painting both inside and out and updating town records.

Pursuing energy efficiency at the Community Building, the wooden front door has been replaced with an insulated metal door. A rear exit has been provided on the west side with an insulated exterior door.

To make the Town Office more accessible we have extended the morning working hours by an additional hour.

A Special Town Meeting was held in December that authorized the sale of the small town lot opposite the well site.

It was a pleasure to serve you during 1983.

Respectfully submitted,
John H. Thorne
Clarence W. Drinkwater
John F. Robson

TOWN ADMINISTRATION

Appropriated from Inventory Tax Refund	\$ 3,000.00
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Distribution:

Claudia R. Lewis	\$ 315.84
Hutchins Brothers	98.61
Continental Telephone of Maine	278.15
J.A. Black Co.	760.00
John H. Thorne	23.28
W.C. Ladd & Son	527.00
The Republican Journal	119.00
Huston & Tuttle	78.39
Secretary of State	27.80
Loring, Short & Harmon	63.26
Belfast Office Sales & Service	34.51
Johnson-Ladd Offices	33.00
Harleth Davis	80.00
National Auto	26.00
Bels Photocopy Service	38.25
Postmaster, Searsmont	5.00
Central Maine Power	17.04
Smith Corona	8.98
Seaport Office Supply	<u>4.56</u>

	\$ 2,512.67
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Lapsed to Surplus

	<u>487.33</u>
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	\$ 3,000.00
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TAX COLLECTOR'S COMMISSION

Raised		\$ 3,000.00
Distribution: Claudia R. Lewis	\$ 3,055.20	
Charged to Surplus		<u>55.20</u>
		\$ 3,055.20

TOWN OFFICIALS' SALARIES

Carried Balance		\$ 51.78
Appropriated from Federal Revenue Sharing		<u>7,800.00</u>
		\$ 7,851.78

Distribution:

Francis Marsano, Moderator	\$ 25.00
Raymond LaRoche, Ballot Clerk	23.45
Paulette Pert, Ballot Clerk	46.90
John H. Thorne, 1st Selectman	1,200.00

Clarence W. Drinkwater, 2nd Selectman	600.00
John F. Robson, 3rd Selectman	600.00
John H. Thorne, 1st Assessor	1,200.00
Clarence W. Drinkwater, 2nd Assessor	600.00
John F. Robson, 3rd Assessor	600.00
Harleth Davis, Treasurer	725.00
Annie Cilley, Health Officer	130.00
Irene Moroney, Registrar of Voters	330.00
Basil Pearse Jr., Fire Chief	240.00
Norman Roberts, Asst. Fire Chief	120.00
Edgar Pert, Constable	165.00
Irene Mehuren, Ballot Clerk	23.45
Claudia R. Lewis, Town Clerk	220.00
Charles Weggler, Civil Defense Dir.	55.00
Claudia R. Lewis, mileage	65.20
Basil Pearse, Jr. mileage	30.00
John H. Thorne, mileage	200.70
John F. Robson, mileage	144.65
Harleth Davis, mileage	223.76
Clarence W. Drinkwater, mileage	48.00
	<u>\$ 7,616.11</u>
Carry Balance	<u>235.67</u>
	<u>\$ 7,851.78</u>

CONTINGENT ACCOUNT

Appropriated from Surplus	\$ 1,000.00
Credits	<u>7,148.42</u>
	<u>\$ 8,148.42</u>
Distribution:	
Harleth Davis	\$ 303.25
The Republican Journal	91.00
Postmaster, Searsmont	94.50
Richard Ames	20.00
Rockport Blueprint	69.00
J.A. Black Co.	25.00
Claudia R. Lewis	542.83
Postmaster, Belfast	125.55
Bureau of Employment Security	88.04
Sue Fettingier	11.30
John Thorne	55.69
Kimsco Supply Co.	120.99
James Aldus	14.00

Waldo County Registry of Deeds	\$	310.00
John F. Robson		105.24
Raynold R. Holmes		93.88
Hutchins Brothers		8.14
Perry Davis		30.00
U.S. Pencil & Stationery Co.		25.61
Knox County Sheriff Dept.		200.00
Heath's Garage		14.50
Internal Revenue Service		36.36
Robert Moody		20.00
Communications Inc.		115.00
Home Supply		3.29
Branham Publishing Co.		22.95
Maine Criminal Justice Academy		100.00
The Gun Shop		117.64
Samantha Jackson		11.31
Municipal Sign Co.		240.13
Belfast Office Sales & Service		2.64
MMA (Maine Municipal Assoc.)		20.00
Treasurer of State — Audit Dept.		1,007.96
Ronald Fuller Sr.		803.00
		<u>803.00</u>
	\$	4,848.80
Lapsed to Surplus		<u>3,299.62</u>
	\$	8,148.42

FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS

Carried Balance	\$	2,635.46
Raised		6,000.00
Credits		<u>1,238.00</u>
	\$	9,873.46

Distribution:

Robbins Lumber Co.	\$	108.15
Central Maine Power		184.41
Fraternity Village General Store		303.68
D.J. Webber Inc.		540.71
Harlan Merrifield		18.00
W.C. Ladd & Sons Inc.		1,506.00
Blanchard Associates		136.00
Basil Pearse Jr.		807.52
Jenness Robbins		4,300.00
Granville Furse		125.00
Cox Machine Shops		53.37

Johnson-Ladd Offices	\$ 312.00
Sprowl Brothers Inc.	212.55
Heath's Garage	95.36
Middlesex Fire Equipment Co.	378.88
Belfast Auto Supply Inc.	34.56
Frontier Village Oil	319.75
Treasurer of State	45.00
Steege Auto Parts	<u>41.29</u>
	\$ 9,521.23
Carry Balance	<u>352.23</u>
	\$ 9,873.46

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Carry Balance		\$ 1,714.14
Credits		<u>719.08</u>
		\$ 2,433.22
Distribution:		
Case No. 1	\$ 49.13	
Case No. 2	<u>49.03</u>	
	\$ 98.16	
Carry Balance	<u>2,335.06</u>	
	\$ 2,433.22	

DONATIONS

Raised		\$ 1,918.00
Distribution:		
Central Maine Agency on Aging	\$ 327.00	
Kno-Wal-Lin Community Hlth. Serv.	350.00	
Educational TV — WCBB — Channel 10	150.00	
Community Alcohol Service	300.00	
The Belfast Area Children's Center	100.00	
Mid-Coast Mental Health Center	391.00	
Waldo County YMCA	100.00	
Transportation Program WCCSA	<u>200.00</u>	
	\$ 1,918.00	

EDUCATION

Raised		\$165,224.34
Distribution:		
M.S.A.D. No. 34	\$165,224.34	

SNOWMOBILE BRIDGES & TRAILS

Appropriated from Surplus	\$	200.00
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Distribution:

Pearse's Mill	\$	200.00
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COMMUNITY BUILDING

Carry Balance	\$	476.00
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Appropriated from Surplus		1,000.00
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Credits		<u>1,500.00</u>
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	\$	2,976.00
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Distribution:

Edgar Pert	\$	80.00
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Central Maine Power		364.04
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Sprowl Brothers Inc.		104.71
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Susan Fettingier		32.72
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D.J. Webber Inc.		849.85
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Fraternity Village General Store		40.11
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W.C. Ladd & Sons Inc.		300.00
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Jerry Hall		8.79
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John F. Robson		153.60
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Samantha Jackson		37.68
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Wallace Heath		40.00
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Warren Heath Jr.		40.00
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Rankin's Inc.		148.37
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James Moody		159.90
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Frontier Village Oil		824.50
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Treasurer of State		10.00
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Milledge Cox		<u>27.00</u>
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	\$	3,221.27
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Charge to Surplus		<u>\$ 245.27</u>
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	\$	3,221.27
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TAX MAP UPDATE

Raised	\$	200.00
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Distribution:

Raynold R. Holmes	\$	210.00
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Charge to Surplus		<u>10.00</u>
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	\$	210.00
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COUNTY TAX

Raised:	\$	19,930.20
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Distribution:

Treasurer Waldo County	\$	19,930.20
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CEMETERY OPERATIONS

Carry Balance	\$ 479.60
Appropriated from Surplus	1,000.00
Credits	<u>913.38</u>
	\$ 2,392.98

Distribution:

Stephen Gracie Sr.	\$ 1,750.00
Cox Machine Shop	7.50
Leo's Automotive	249.00
Jack Lucas	26.80
Payson-Allen Inc.	35.77
Jane Robson	20.10
Wallace F. Heath	50.00
Warren Heath Jr.	<u>50.00</u>
	\$ 2,189.17
Carry Balance	<u>203.81</u>
	\$ 2,392.98

PARKS AND RECREATION

Carried Balance	\$ 175.70
Credit	<u>52.77</u>
	\$ 228.47

Distribution:

Nancy Pound	\$ 20.00
Carried Forward	<u>208.47</u>
	\$ 228.47

SEARSMONT SUMMER MAINTENANCE

Raised	\$ 350.00
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Distribution:

Payson Allen, Inc.	\$ 38.82
Doug's Small Engine Repair	22.01
Rankins Inc.	36.25
Clarence W. Drinkwater	3.38
Dean & Eugley Inc.	20.00
Edgar Pert	<u>61.00</u>
	\$ 181.46
Lapsed to Surplus	<u>168.54</u>
	\$ 350.00

INTEREST ON LOAN

Appropriated from Surplus	\$ 1,000.00
Credits	<u>3,681.81</u>
	\$ 4,681.81

Distribution:	
Merrill Trust Co.	\$ 2,647.24
Lapsed to Surplus	<u>2,034.57</u>
	\$ 4,681.81

SNOW REMOVAL

Carry Balance	\$ 3,562.30
Transferred from Excise Tax	<u>24,597.30</u>
	\$ 28,159.60

Plowing

Ronald Fuller Sr.	\$ 4,200.00
Benjamin Edgecomb Jr.	4,200.00
Frederick N. Lucas	4,200.00
Howard P. Fairfield	111.17
Cox Machine Corp.	10.48
T.W. Dick Co. Inc.	<u>468.62</u>
	\$ 13,190.27

Sanding

Frederick N. Lucas	\$ 7,471.77
Benjamin Edgecomb	3,331.84
Carl Gelo	150.00
New England Chemical Co.	<u>1,205.08</u>
	\$ 12,158.69
Grand Total	\$ 25,348.96
Carry Balance	<u>2,810.64</u>
	\$ 28,159.60

TARRING OF TOWN ROADS

Appropriated from Surplus	\$ 3,000.00
Appropriated from Federal Revenue Sharing	<u>4,000.00</u>
	\$ 7,000.00

Distribution:	
Commercial Paving Co.	\$ 7,000.00

ROADS & BRIDGES

(combined with mowing of road shoulders)

Appropriated from Surplus	\$ 10,000.00
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NORTH

Distribution:	
Frederick N. Lucas	\$ 1,903.17

EAST

Distribution:	
The Lane Construction Co.	\$ 194.60
Mollison's Inc.	645.75
C.W. Drinkwater	63.00
Ronald Fuller Sr.	1,930.04
Marriners Inc.	141.40
Rodney Fuller	108.00
Burton Smith	24.51
Blue Rock Industries	335.16
Arnold Abbott	432.00
Isaiah Davis	<u>47.36</u>
	\$ 3,921.82

SOUTH

Distribution:	
Howard Clark	\$ 1,728.63
Ronald Fuller Sr.	210.95
Arnold Abbott	767.00
Frederick Lucas	49.00
Stephen Horton	24.48
Ben Hemenway	77.52
Cianbro Corp.	161.84
Marriners Inc.	449.68
Stanley Lopata	24.48
C.W. Drinkwater	<u>65.10</u>
	\$ 3,558.68
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 9,383.67
Lapsed to Surplus	<u>\$ 616.33</u>
	\$ 10,000.00

EXTENDED MAINTENANCE

Carried Balance	\$ 2,566.27
Credits	<u>10,037.50</u>
	\$ 12,603.77

Distribution:	
Ronald Fuller Sr.	\$ 1,120.77
Arnold Abbott	390.00

Cianbro Corp.	\$ 161.84
Commercial Paving Co. Inc.	5,000.00
Howard Clark	128.88
Clarence W. Drinkwater	666.09
Marriners Inc.	<u>253.96</u>
	\$ 7,721.54
Carry Balance	<u>4,882.23</u>
	\$ 12,603.77

POND ROAD

Appropriated from Surplus	\$ 700.00
Distribution:	
Ronald Fuller Sr.	\$ 1,155.41
Charge to Surplus	<u>\$ 455.41</u>
	\$ 1,155.41

POND ROAD EXTENSION

Appropriated from Surplus	\$ 150.00
Distribution:	
Ronald Fuller Sr.	\$ 330.41
Charged to Surplus	<u>180.41</u>
	\$ 330.41

ROBBINS ROAD

Appropriated from Surplus	\$ 350.00
Distribution:	
Ronald Fuller Sr.	\$ 265.44
Arnold Abbott	<u>130.00</u>
	\$ 395.44
Charge to Surplus	<u>45.44</u>
	\$ 395.44

TOWN SECURITY PATROL

Appropriated from Inventory Tax Refund	\$ 500.00
Distribution:	
Carroll Patten	\$ 447.51
Edgar Pert	<u>100.25</u>
	\$ 547.76
Charge to Surplus	<u>47.76</u>
	\$ 547.76

SEARSMONT PLUMBING PERMITS

Plumbing Permits Fees		\$	589.60
Distribution:			
State of Maine	\$	76.50	
James Moody		<u>185.00</u>	
	\$	261.50	
Lapsed to Surplus		<u>328.10</u>	
	\$	589.60	

SANITARY LANDFILL

Appropriated from Federal Revenue Sharing		\$	3,000.00
Distribution:			
Edgar Pert	\$	2,070.20	
Carry Balance		<u>929.80</u>	
	\$	3,000.00	

STRAY DOG ACCOUNT

Carry Balance		\$	587.52
Credits		<u>129.00</u>	
		\$	716.52
Distribution:			
Carroll Patten	\$	186.43	
Belfast Waldo County Humane Soc.		25.00	
Corinne Fitzjurls		<u>12.00</u>	
	\$	223.43	
Carry Balance		<u>493.09</u>	
	\$	716.52	

LIBERTY VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SERVICE

Raised		\$	400.00
Distribution:			
Liberty Volunteer Ambulance Serv.	\$	400.00	

MAINE MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

Raised		\$	471.00
Distribution:			
Maine Municipal Association	\$	471.00	

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE

Raised		\$	1,200.00
Credit		<u>502.00</u>	
	\$	1,702.00	

Distribution:	
W.C. Ladd and Sons	\$ 383.00
Campbell, Payson, Meyers	<u>804.00</u>
	\$ 1,187.00
Carried Balance	<u>515.00</u>
	\$ 1,702.00

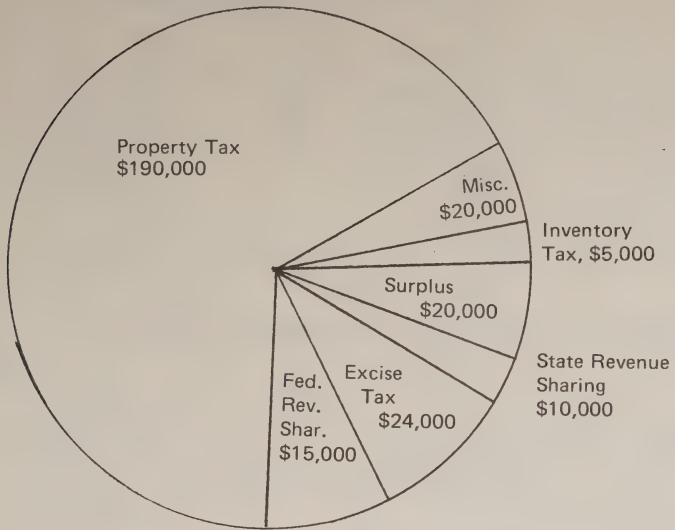
EMERGENCY FIRE TELEPHONE

Appropriated from Surplus	\$ 900.00
Distribution:	
Continental Telephone of Maine	\$ 839.21
Lapsed to Surplus	<u>60.79</u>
	\$ 900.00

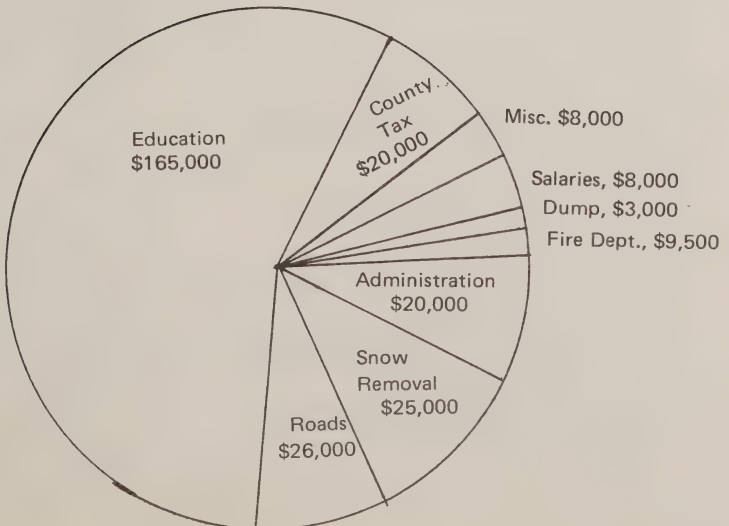
STREET LIGHTS

Appropriated from Surplus	\$ 1,400.00
Distribution:	
Central Maine Power	\$ 1,384.24
Lapsed to Surplus	<u>15.76</u>
	\$ 1,400.00

SOURCES OF FUNDS FOR 1983



WHERE THE MONEY WAS SPENT IN 1983



TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash Balance as per Audit February 1, 1983	\$ 13,238.14
Claudia Lewis, Tax Collector 1983	\$172,843.40
Claudia Lewis, Tax Collector 1982	9,837.04
Tax Liens for 1982	6,538.82
Tax Liens for 1981	7,233.51
Excise Taxes Collected	26,585.12
Interest on 1982 & 1983 Taxes	1,377.70
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	\$224,415.59
Federal Revenue Sharing Entitlement Receipts	<u>7,659.00</u>
	\$232,074.59
Town Savings Account	\$ 15,000.00
Federal Revenue Account	14,800.00
Interest on Perpetual Cemetery Care	
Fund Investment	913.38
Interest on Worthy Poor Account	
Fund Investment	469.08
State Revenue Sharing Receipts	9,844.70
DOT Road Assistance	10,036.50
U.S. Government (Rent of Post Office)	1,500.00
Reimbursement on General Assistance	250.00
State Park Fee Sharing	52.77
Snowmobile Reimbursement	288.00
Maine Tree Growth Reimbursement	6.23
Plumbing Permits	390.00
Excise Tax Refund	104.92
Weapon Permits	20.00
Sale of Fire Truck	1,025.00
Sanitary Land Fill Permits	2.25
Waldo County Development Comm.	152.43
John Thorne (For Flag)	20.00
Clarence Drinkwater (For Flag)	20.00
W.C. Ladd — Reimbursement of	
Insurance on Fire Truck	213.00
W.C. Ladd — Return Premium on	
Workers Compensation	502.00
Reimbursement on Town Insurance	50.00
Veteran's Exemption	137.76
Sale of Town Property (Mary	
Gleason Lot)	650.00

Certified Mail & Lien Preparations	\$	30.60	
Postage & 30-Day Notices		2.55	
Tax Maps & Postage		44.50	
Receipts from Dog Taxes		172.00	
Building Permits		199.60	
Personal Tax & Interest		153.03	
Sale of Tires (Fire Dept.)		<u>100.00</u>	
			\$ 57,150.30

Tax Anticipation Note from Merrill Trust Co. 208 Days @ .057	\$	80,000.00	
\$60,000.00 Invested, Money Market & Certificate Interest earned		3,681.81	
\$20,000.00 Invested in NOW Account Interest Earned		389.51	
August 20, Money Market Certificate		55,000.00	
Sept. 1, Money Market Certificate		<u>28,000.00</u>	
To General Account December 1, 1983		\$167,071.32	
Dec. 1, 1983 paid Merrill Trust Co. Note plus Interest		82,647.24	
Balance February 1, 1983			\$ 13,238.14
Cash Receipts		\$289,224.89	
Money Market & NOW Account		167,071.32	
Interest and Lien Costs		<u>3,940.34</u>	
		\$473,474.69	
Total Warrants Paid		<u>453,004.26</u>	
Total on Hand and in the Bank February 1, 1984		\$ 20,470.43	

1981 Tax Liens

Dyer, Bruce A.	bal. of \$	7.50
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1982 Tax Liens

Ames, Richard	\$	390.40
Dyer, Bruce A.		93.94
Edgecomb, Benjamin & Nancy	bal. of	300.34
Fuller, Donna	bal. of	150.53
Fuller, Edwin	bal. of	7.32
Fuller, Gardner		31.72
Fuller, Rodney K.	bal. of	185.69
Fuller, Ronald Jr.		117.12

Gelo, Carl	\$	235.50	
Gelo, Faylene		164.70	
Jackson, Glenn T. & Linda		375.76	
Leeman, Jerome		147.62	
Lesan, Albert A.	bal. of	104.98	
Linscott, David A. & Carol E.	bal. of	213.76	
Mauro, Louis & Evelyn S.		241.56	
McTague, Sue C.	bal. of	57.36	
McCafferty, Nancy E.		469.70	
McCafferty, Thomas L. & Nancy E.		430.44	
Palmer, Gregory & Nancy		84.20	
Parent, Neal & Linda		333.06	
Pinto, Carlo & Camilla		34.16	
Rolerson, Marshall S.		20.74	
Rossignol, Armond		208.62	
Schvertt, Cheryl & Carlos		222.04	
Voerman, Arthur N.		174.46	
Wiley, Mary E. Heirs of		103.70	
Willey, Mable & Heirs of Phillip L.			
Willey		407.48	
Yeager, Kenneth, Kathleen & Wesly			
	bal. of	<u>96.40</u>	
			\$ 5,410.80

1982 Tax Liens Paid after Books Closed

Tax	\$	1,441.33	
Interest		304.10	
Costs		<u>87.75</u>	
			\$ 1,833.18

Statement of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds

Balance as of February 1, 1983		\$ 24,442.50
1983 Entitlement Receipts	\$	7,659.00
Interest Earned		<u>1,347.80</u>
Total Available		\$ 33,449.30
Less Appropriations:		
Sanitary Landfill (operation of)	\$	3,000.00
Town Officers' Salaries & Mileage		7,800.00
Town Roads		<u>4,000.00</u>
Balance as of February 1, 1984		\$ 18,649.30

Respectfully submitted,
Harleth H. Davis, Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Births to Searsmont Residents	11
Marriages of Searsmont residents	4
Deaths of Searsmont residents	7
Burials in Searsmont cemeteries	4

Searsmont Deaths

Harry E. Smith	April 12, 1983
Edwin Orr Denby (summer resident)	July 13, 1983
Anthony J. Smith	June 6, 1983
Shirley Lois Cunningham	July 10, 1983
Rita L. Aldus	September 19, 1983
Thelma Clark	November 13, 1983
Alice O. Blu	January 2, 1984
Christine Olson	January, 1984

Respectfully submitted,

Claudia Lewis
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1983 Tax Commitment	\$195,997.83
Supplemental Tax	<u>486.41</u>
	\$196,484.24
Cash Collections	\$172,843.40
Tax Abatements	475.38
Discounts	<u>1,983.42</u>
	\$175,302.20
1983 Taxes Receivable	\$ 21,182.04
Excise Tax Collected 1983	\$ 26,585.12

1983 Taxes Outstanding February 1, 1984

(*denotes paid after books closed)

Aldus, James & Rita	\$ 1,422.40
Allard, Joseph & Bonnie	165.10
Allenwood, William & Dawn	110.49
Ames, Richard W.	406.40
Bartlett, Penson & Joyce	balance of 192.90
Brierley, Bruce & Harriet	1,127.76
Callahan, Malcolm & Margaret	balance of 81.14
Carter, Elmer Heirs of	223.52
Church, Alan	supplemental 59.69
Cook, Robert L.	349.25
Decortin, Gustave	1,131.58
Dyer, Bruce A.	97.79
Edgecomb, Benjamin and Nancy	1,592.58
Flood, Shannon	344.17
Fuller, Donna	264.16
Fuller, Edwin	134.62
Fuller, Gardner	71.12
Fuller, Rodney	213.36
Gallagher, Carol & Divinsky, Philip	157.48
Galler, Walburga	16.51
*Gardner, Dale *Patricia	311.15
Gelo, Carl	349.25
Gelo, Faylene	171.45
Gracie, Stephen	461.01
Hall, Gerald & Martha H.	403.86
Harriman, Arnold	81.28

Hutchinson, Richard J. (now Flanagan, Lamont & Breshahan)	balance of	\$	501.01
Jackson, Glenn L. & Linda B.			414.02
Jackson, Rodney B. & Beverly L.			316.23
*Kinney, Billy			254.00
Leavenworth, William B.	balance of		140.51
Leeman, Jerome			153.67
Leo, James & Edborah			473.71
LeSan, Albert A.			265.43
Linscott, David A. & Carol E.			391.16
Lopata, John J. & Tessa A.			156.21
Maker, Leonard E. & Earl Chandler			139.70
Marriner, Clifton & Myrtle			76.21
*Mehuren, Darrell E. & Pamela			316.23
Mehuren, Glendon L. & Susan			316.23
Merrifield, Harlan & Gwendolen			223.52
Mills, Abbie Heirs of (Lucius Eccleston)			
	balance of		186.41
Moulton, Larry			153.67
Musella, Glenn and Karen A.			447.04
McCafferty, Nancy E.			552.45
McCafferty, Thomas L. & Nancy E.			392.43
McGraw, Robert			130.81
McTague, Sue			111.76
Nash, Craig			55.88
Norwood, Paul & Nettie	balance of		29.50
Palmer, Gregory & Nancy A.			139.70
Parent, Neal A. & Linda			346.71
Pert, Edgar B. & Paulette A.	balance of		146.85
Pinto, Carlo & Camilla			35.56
Rawley, Bruce A.			111.76
Remsen, Richard			223.52
Roberts, Harvey M. & Sabyth G.			542.29
Rolerson, Marshall			21.59
Rossignol, Armand			217.17
Schvertt, Silvano Juan Carlos & Cheryl			231.14
Sinclair, Priscilla			363.22
Smith, Anthony Heirs of			212.09
Spear, Herbert R.			125.73
Staples, Stephen & Mary			69.85
Stickney, Jean	supplemental		58.42
Sweetland, Byron			184.15

Sweetland, Paul Jr.		\$	55.88
Trull, Richard & Zona	supplemental		190.50
Voerman, Arthur N.			181.61
Weggler, Robert	balance of		174.25
Wiley, Mary Heirs of			107.95
Willey, Mable Linscott			163.83
Willey, Phillip L. Heirs of & Willey, Mable E.			260.35
Winchenback, Karen			114.30
Wood, Jerome B. & Elsa C.			642.62
Yeager, Kenneth, Kathleen & Wesley			123.19

1982 Taxes

Balance Outstanding February 1, 1983	\$	24,473.77
Supplemental		<u>353.80</u>
		24,827.57
Collected to Date		9,837.04
Abatement		<u>2.44</u>
		9,839.48
Total uncollected	\$	14,988.09



STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

REPORT TO THE CITIZENS OF SEARSMONT

As your State Representative to the Maine Legislature my first concern is to be available to hear your feelings on proposed legislation which may have a direct effect on Searsmont and its residents. While the Legislature is in session, I can nearly always be reached by calling the House of Representatives at 289-2866 or at my home, 845-2704. In addition, I will be available in Searsmont as often as my legislative schedule permits.

Notices of the public hearings on all bills and lists of all bills introduced and enacted are mailed to your selectmen and town clerk weekly. Copies of all bills introduced in the Legislature are also mailed weekly to your town clerk. The 1984 Legislative sessions should continue until mid April.

Please contact me directly to let me know your feelings about any legislation you are interested in and if you want copies of any bills. I will also do my best to help resolve problems or questions relating to state government agencies.

I am proud to be representing Searsmont.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carol".

Carol Allen
State Representative

Maine House of Representatives District 110

as established by Public Law Chapter 93 (1983)

The District consists of: the municipalities of Belmont, Brooks, Islesboro, Knox, Lincolnville, Montville, Morrill, Searsmont, Swanville and Waldo in Waldo County.



maine state senate district 21

as established by Public Law Chapter 93 (1983)

The District consists of: the municipalities of Appleton, Camden, Criehaven Township, Hope, Matinicus Isle Plantation, North Haven, Owls Head, Rockland, Rockport, St. George, South Thomaston, Thomaston and Vinalhaven in Knox County; and the municipalities of Belmont, Liberty, Lincolnville, Montville, Morrill, Palermo and Searsmont in Waldo County



REPORT OF VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT 1983

The Fire Department responded to a number of fires this year, which included a garage fire in West Searsmont, several chimney fires, a car accident and truck accident, to which the department was called out, just for safety precautions.

Anyone wishing to have fields or grass burned this spring, may contact the fire department and we will try to do this for you if weather permits. Also, anyone wishing to burn or have any outdoor fires must have a fire permit. A permit must be obtained for any type of outdoors fire now all year round. These permits you can get at Fraternity Village Store or contact the fire chief.

The fire phone number should be used for emergency calls ONLY.

Members of the fire department have been attending meetings of the Waldo County Firefighters Association that are held once a month throughout Waldo County. We have found these meetings very interesting.

Fire meetings in Searsmont are held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Anyone who is interested in the fire department or in becoming a volunteer, please join us. We now have fourteen active members and always welcome new members.

The Searsmont Fire Department members and their families would like to thank everyone for their support, donations and help with our many projects that we had during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Basil Pearse Jr.

Fire Chief

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

This is a report on what happened in Civil Defense for the year 1983.

There was one meeting at Waldo County Civil Preparedness Headquarters in particular which was very good for civil defense training. It was a video movie on how a big city in Canada handled an actual large scale disaster from a hazardous material spill.

There was another meeting where a radio warning system was discussed and each Civil Defense Director including myself was given a warning system radio receiver. The signal comes from Belfast and sent to Searsmont and other towns in Waldo County.

There was some flooding of cellars in November and a sump pump was needed after a bad rainstorm. On the whole Searsmont survived all the storms okay.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles C. Weggler
Civil Defense Director

**UNITED STATES TRUST COMPANY
of New York**

45 Wall Street, New York, N.Y. 10005

August 23, 1983

Town of Searsmont
Board of Selectmen
Searsmont, Maine 04973

Trust under Deed Madge H. Walker

Gentlemen:

The benefits provided under the deed of Madge H. Walker consist of free medical care at Waldo County General Hospital and Thayer Hospital in Belfast and Waterville, respectively, as well as scholarship aid at the University of Maine.

Enclosed are memoranda outlining the payments made to these institutions from the trust representing reimbursements for funds expended during fiscal year ended May 31, 1983. Each report also itemizes the number of residents aided in the specified towns.

Also, we are required, as trustee, under the terms of the deed to provide you with the enclosed copy of the instrument.

Sincerely yours,
/s/ Anne L. Smith
Financial Officer

TRUST UNDER DEED MADGE H. WALKER

Payments to University of Maine at Orono representing reimbursement of funds expended during the period from June 1, 1982 to May 31, 1983.

Town	Number of Recipients	Amount
Searsmont	2	\$ 2,723.26
	total expended —	\$44,838.26

Payments to Waldo County General Hospital in Belfast representing reimbursement of funds expended during the period from June 1, 1982 to May 31, 1983.

Town	Number of Recipients	Amount
Searsmont	61	\$ 8,056.62
	total expended —	\$18,349.52

Payments to Mid-Maine Medical Center in Waterville, representing reimbursement of funds expended during the period from June 1, 1982 to May 31, 1983.

Town	Number of Recipients	Amount
Searsmont	none	none
	total expended —	\$18,623.92

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMITTEE

The Cemetery Committee held four meetings during 1983. The committee has made maps for three of the cemeteries; East Seasmont, Oak Grove, and Hillcrest. File cards have also been made for these three. Riverside's map will be completed in the spring. The two cemeteries owned by Associations, have their own maps.

Markers have been made for "Perpetual Care" graves and these will be put on the graves in the spring. These markers will make for easier identification of the "Perpetual Care" graves.

Name signs for those cemeteries which now have none will also be ready in the spring.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane J. Robson
Chairman

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

Your Planning Board has been active in diverse areas this year. We are now working under the guidelines of the Comprehensive Plan accepted at last year's Town Meeting. We have issued 29 building permits. We held a Public Hearing on an application for a permit for a recreation hall June 7th, made a Site Inspection on June 14th, and issued a building permit for the hall at the meeting following the inspection. About 40 people attended the Public Hearing.

At our July meeting, Searsmont's new Plumbing Inspector, James Moody, presented a report on changes in State Codes and costs of plumbing permits, including soil tests. The minimum septic tank now is considered to be 750 gallons for a two-bedroom house. To replace a leaching field requires a permit, but to replace a tank does not.

At this 1984 Town Meeting, three new members will be elected to the Planning Board, two for three-year terms and one for a one-year term.

Our plans for 1984 are to attend training sessions sponsored by the Maine Municipal Association on Code Enforcement and other areas of concern. We also expect to:

- Make recommendations for expansion of the present Landfill Site;
- Revise our list of building permit procedures;
- Research the sites of abandoned gas tanks for possible problems;
- Present a Site Review Plan Ordinance for your consideration; and
- Complete the revision of our operating By-Laws.

We welcome your attendance at meetings and appreciate your support.

Respectfully submitted,
The Searsmont Planning Board



GEORGE J. RAINVILLE
STATE AUDITOR

STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT
STATE HOUSE STATION 66
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

Area Code 207
Tel. 289-2201

Board of Selectmen
Town of Searsmont
Searsmont, Maine

We have examined the financial statements of the various funds of the Town of Searsmont for the fiscal year ended February 1, 1983, listed in the foregoing table of contents. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

The Town has not maintained a record of its general fixed assets, and accordingly a statement of general fixed assets, required by generally accepted accounting principles, is not included in the financial report.

In our opinion, the financial statements listed in the aforementioned table of contents present fairly the financial position of the Town of Searsmont at February 1, 1983, and the results of its operations for the fiscal year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

The accompanying supplemental information is not necessary for a fair presentation of the financial statements, but is presented per statutory requirements and as additional analytical data. The information has been subjected to the tests and other auditing procedures applied in the examination of the financial statements mentioned above, and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

/s/ George J. Rainville
State Auditor

August 31, 1983

Exhibit A

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET – ALL FUND TYPES

February 1, 1983

ASSETS	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary		Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Fund Type	Trust	1983	1982
Cash on Hand and in Bank:						
Demand Deposit	\$13,238.14	\$	\$		\$ 13,238.14	\$ 16,359.82
Time Deposits	6,376.20	24,442.50	26,330.12		57,148.82	62,821.49
Petty Cash	50.00				50.00	50.00
Investments	16,820.38				16,820.38	25,928.46
Securities			11,500.00		11,500.00	11,500.00
Accounts Receivable	125.00				125.00	125.00
Taxes Receivable	24,538.77				24,538.77	21,737.63
Tax Liens	5,866.81				5,866.81	3,611.58
Tax Acquired Property	818.62				818.62	818.62
TOTAL	\$67,833.92	\$24,442.50	\$37,830.12		\$130,106.54	\$142,952.60

Exhibit A — Combined Balance Sheet — All Fund Types (cont.):

	Governmental Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Type Trust	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
	General	Special Revenue		1983	1982
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE					
Liabilities:					
Deferred Credits	\$10,616.83	\$	\$	\$ 10,616.83	\$ 12,658.52
Fund Balance:					
Reserved for Endowments			20,466.26	20,466.26	20,466.26
Designated — Special Reserves	6,376.20			6,376.20	5,723.66
Subsequent Years' Expenditures	12,813.33			12,813.33	13,734.17
Undesignated	38,027.56	24,442.50	17,363.86	79,833.92	90,369.99
Total Fund Balance	57,217.09	24,442.50	37,830.12	119,489.71	130,294.08
TOTAL	\$67,833.92	\$24,442.50	\$37,830.12	\$130,106.54	\$142,952.60

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

February 1, 1983

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of the Town of Searsmont conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental units.

A. Basis of Presentation

The accounts of the Town are organized on the basis of funds or account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues and expenditures. The various funds are grouped by type in the financial statements.

Governmental Funds

General Fund — The general fund is the general operating fund of the Town. All general tax revenues and other receipts that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to another fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs that are not paid through other funds.

Special Revenue Fund — Special revenue funds are used to account for revenues derived from specific taxes or other earmarked revenue sources, including federal revenue sharing funds.

Fiduciary Funds

Trust Funds — Trust funds are used to account for assets held in trust by the Town for others.

B. Basis of Accounting

The modified accrual basis of accounting is followed by the General, Special Revenue and Trust Funds. The modified accrual basis of accounting is defined as the basis of accounting under which expenditures are recorded as incurred and revenues are recorded when received in cash except for material and/or available revenues which are accrued to reflect properly the taxes levied and the revenues earned.

C. General Fixed Assets

The Town does not maintain a record of its general fixed assets. Expenditures for property and equipment are charged against departmental operations whenever such items are purchased.

2. Property Tax

The Town's property tax for the current period was levied July 3, 1982 on the assessed value listed as of April 1, 1982 for all real and personal property located in the Town. Taxes were due October 1, 1982 with interest at 1½% per month on taxes paid after October 31, 1982. The townspeople also authorized a 2% discount on all property taxes paid in full and received by the tax collector within 30 days from date of commitment.

3. Deferred Credits

Deferred credits represent items received during the current accounting period but to be used as revenue in the subsequent year. These accounts were as follows at February 1, 1983:

State Revenue Sharing	\$ 4,087.83
Business Inventory Tax	<u>6,529.00</u>
Total	<u>\$10,616.83</u>

4. General Fund Budget

The Town operates on a net budget as compared with a gross budget. All revenues are not estimated but are credited to the particular operating account. Certain revenues are dedicated for particular purposes by vote of the townspeople at the annual town meeting or at special town meetings.

At the annual town meeting, held in March of each year, the townspeople vote on various articles, on which, amounts for appropriations have been recommended by the Board of Selectmen and/or the Budget Committee.

5. Designated for Special Reserve Accounts

Special reserve accounts for various purposes amounted to \$6,376.20 at February 1, 1983 and were invested in time and money market funds.

6. Designated for Subsequent Years' Expenditures

Historically, unexpended departmental balances are carried forward to the following year for expenditures. This is usually in

lieu of additional appropriations in any particular account.

At February 1, 1983, the following operating account balances were carried forward:

General Government	\$ 524.78
Protection	2,897.66
Health and Sanitation	587.52
Highways and Bridges	6,133.63
Recreation	175.70
Welfare	1,714.44
Cemeteries	479.60
Unclassified	300.00
Total	<u><u>\$12,813.33</u></u>

7. Undesignated General Fund Balance (Surplus)

The undesignated general fund balance reflected a net decrease of \$4,210.86 for the year ending February 1, 1983 as follows:

Balance — February 2, 1982	\$42,238.42
Decrease:	
Utilization of Fund Balance	\$14,000.00
Increase:	
Net Departmental Balance	
Lapsed	\$7,982.86
Investment Income	<u>1,806.28</u>
Total Increase	<u>9,789.14</u>
Net Decrease	<u>4,210.86</u>
Balance — February 1, 1983	<u><u>\$38,027.56</u></u>

8. Trust Funds

Trust funds of \$37,830.12 for various purposes were held in trust by the Town. This amount, which represented principals of \$20,466.26 and unexpended income of \$17,363.86 was invested in time deposits and securities.

9. General

The townspeople authorized the use of excise taxes, unappropriated surplus, inventory tax and highway block grant revenue for various departmental operations, as well as, the appropriation of federal revenue sharing funds for specific purposes.

Schedule 2

STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended February 1, 1983

	Appropriations	Other Credits	Total Available	ExpendituresBalances..... Lapsed	Carried
GENERAL GOVERNMENT						
Administration	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Tax Collector's Commission	3,000.00		3,000.00	2,988.50	11.50	
Town Officers' Salaries & Mileage		7,809.08	7,809.08	2,804.08	195.92	
Contingent		5,826.19	5,826.19	7,760.30		48.78
Maine Municipal Association Dues	471.00		471.00	4,198.06	1,628.13	
Community Building		3,172.10	3,172.10	471.00		476.00
PROTECTION						
Workers' Compensation Insurance	1,000.00	535.25	1,535.25	1,519.00	16.25	
Town Security Patrol		400.30	400.30	303.18	97.12	
Fire Department — Operating	7,000.00	289.81	7,289.81	4,654.35		2,635.46
— Warning System		800.00	800.00	845.55	(45.55)	
Street Lights		1,346.38	1,346.38	1,366.69	(20.31)	
Civil Defense		262.20	262.20			262.20
HEALTH & SANITATION						
Sanitary Landfill		3,101.86	3,101.86	3,648.59	(546.73)	
Stray Dog Care		628.65	628.65	41.13		587.52
Knox, Waldo, Lincoln Health Serv.	350.00		350.00	350.00		
Community Alcohol Service	200.00		200.00	200.00		
Mid-Coast Mental Health Center	391.00		391.00	391.00		
Liberty Vol. Ambulance Service	400.00		400.00	400.00		

Schedule 2 – Statement of Departmental Operations (cont.):

	Appropriations	Other Credits	Total Available	ExpendituresBalances	Carried
					Lapsed	
HIGHWAYS & BRIDGES						
Snow Removal	\$	\$ 36,615.71	\$ 36,615.71	\$ 33,048.35	\$	\$ 3,567.36
Extended Maintenance		10,214.16	10,214.16	7,647.89		2,566.27
Roads and Bridges/Mowing		9,127.60	9,127.60	8,963.44	164.16	
Paving		7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00		
Robbins Road		350.00	350.00	340.66	9.34	
Pond Road		700.00	700.00	722.53 (22.53)	
Pond Road Extension		150.00	150.00	160.94 (10.94)	
RECREATION						
Snowmobile Trails		200.00	200.00	175.00	25.00	
Parks and Recreation Comm.		175.70	175.70			175.70
Summer Maintenance	350.00		350.00	257.74	92.26	
WELFARE						
General Assistance		2,376.44	2,376.44	662.00		1,714.44
EDUCATION						
School Administrative Dist. 34	151,828.45		151,828.45	151,828.45		
CEMETERIES						
Maintenance		2,131.47	2,131.47	1,651.87		479.60
DEBT AND INTEREST						
Interest on Temporary Loans		1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00	
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS						
County Tax	17,776.20		17,776.20	17,776.20		
Overlay	5,490.60		5,490.60		5,490.60	

Schedule 2 — Statement of Departmental Operations (cont.):

	Appropri- ations	Other Credits	Total Available	Expendi- tures Balances
					Lapsed Carried
UNCLASSIFIED					
Supplemental Taxes	\$	\$ 152.82	\$ 152.82	\$	\$ 152.82
Tax Abatements				154.44	(154.44)
Tax Discounts	1,200.00		1,200.00	1,289.71	(89.71)
Eastern Mid-Coast Regional Planning Commission Dues	204.00		204.00	204.00	
Central Senior Citizens Assoc.	297.00		297.00	297.00	
W.C.B.B. Channel 10	150.00		150.00	150.00	
Group Home Foundation	200.00		200.00	200.00	
Belfast Area Childrens' Center	100.00		100.00	100.00	
Waldo County Y.M.C.A.	200.00		200.00	200.00	
Waldo County Committee for Social Action — Transportation	200.00		200.00	200.00	
Tax Maps	200.00		200.00	210.03	(10.03)
New Honor Roll		300.00	300.00		300.00
TOTAL	<u>\$191,008.25</u>	<u>\$ 97,665.72</u>	<u>\$288,673.97</u>	<u>\$267,877.78</u>	<u>\$ 7,982.86</u>
					<u>\$ 12,813.33</u>

TOWN WARRANT

To Edgar Pert, a constable of the Town of Searsmont, in the County of Waldo, Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Searsmont, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to assemble in the Elementary School Building in the Village in said Town on the 17th day of March, A.D. 1984 at 10:00 A.M. to act on the following articles, to wit:

(The amounts listed were recommended at the Budget Meeting held 8 February 1984)

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To see what wages the Town will vote to pay the following:

(a) Men and equipment for Roads Maintenance and
Snow Removal (non-contract)
Department of Transportation Wage Scale

(b) Snow Plowing Equipment (non-contract)
Above wage scale + 25%

(c) Health Officer	\$ 130 per year
(d) Town Clerk	\$ 220 per year
(e) Town Treasurer	\$ 725 per year
(f) Fire Chief	\$ 240 per year
(g) Assistant Chief	\$ 120 per year
(h) Selectmen First	\$1,200 per year
Second	\$ 600 per year
Third	\$ 600 per year
(i) Assessors First	\$1,200 per year
Second	\$ 600 per year
Third	\$ 600 per year
(j) Registrar of Voters	\$ 330 per year
(k) Civil Defense Director	\$ 55 per year
(l) Chief Constable	\$ 165 per year
(m) All Others	Minimum State Wage

Art. 4. To choose three or more Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.

- Art. 5. To choose an Assessor for three years.
- Art. 6. To choose a Town Treasurer for the ensuing year.
- Art. 7. To choose one or more Road Commissioners for one year.
- Art. 8. To choose a Tax Collector:
 - (a) To accept bids for the collection fee of taxes.
 - (b) To choose a collector of taxes from those candidates who have submitted a bid.
- Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to grant a 2% or more, discount on Taxes for voluntary cash payments one month from date of Commitment to the Tax Collector
- Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to charge interest at the rate of 1¼% for each calendar month after October 1, 1984 and to charge no interest on any period after October 1, 1984 which is less than one calendar month.
- Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to expend up to \$1,000 for clerical help to be funded by various accounts.
- Art. 12. To choose all other Town Officers
 - (a) Fire Chief
 - (b) Sexton
 - (c) Civil Defense Director
- Art. 13. To choose two members of the Cemetery Committee for three years.
- Art. 14. To choose three members of the Planning Board, two for three years and one for one year.
- Art. 15. To authorize the balance of \$4,882.23 to be carried forward to be used with the block grant money from the State of Maine for extended maintenance on roads selected by the Selectmen with advice of the Road Commissioners.
- Art. 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the Road and Bridge Account. \$ 12,000.00
- Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus and Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for resurfacing, tar-ring, mulching, or sealing Town Roads.

Surplus	\$ 4,000.00
Federal Revenue Sharing	<u>\$ 4,000.00</u>
	\$ 8,000.00

- Art. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus for maintaining the following roads:
- (a) Robbins Road, Summer Maintenance \$ 350.00
 - (b) Pond Road \$ 1,000.00
 - (c) Pond Road Ext. Summer Maint. \$ 200.00
- Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes.
- Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to expend such sums of money as may be required to carry on the Town Affairs, from the time the Town books close until the next Annual Town Meeting, such sums to be included in amounts appropriated for the next fiscal year, or take any action relating thereto.
- Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to ratify the expenditures in the last fiscal year various accounts, that were over and above the appropriations or take any action thereon.
- Art. 22. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for the following purposes:
- (a) Town Officers' Salaries & Mileage
 - Carry balance of \$ 235.67
 - (Federal Revenue Sharing) \$ 8,000.00
 - (b) Town Administration
 - (Inventory Tax Refund) \$ 2,000.00
 - \$ 1,000.00
 - (c) Tax Collector's Commission \$ 3,200.00
 - (d) Contingent Account
 - (Surplus) \$ 1,000.00
 - (e) Fire Department Operation
 - Carry balance of \$ 352.23
 - \$ 5,800.00
 - (f) Emergency Fire Telephone Line
 - (Surplus) \$ 900.00
 - (g) Fire Department Men
 - Carry balance of \$ 25.00
 - \$ 200.00

(h)	Street Lights (Surplus)	\$ 1,400.00
(i)	Snow Removal	
	Carry Balance of	\$ 2,810.64
	(All Excise Tax Money)	
(j)	Veteran's Honor Roll	
	Carry Balance of	\$ 300.00
(k)	Child Health Clinic Account	
	Carry Balance of	\$ 25.00
(l)	General Assistance	
	Carry Balance of	\$ 2,335.06
(m)	Community Building	\$ 1,500.00
(n)	Cemetery Maintenance	
	Carry Balance of	\$ 203.81
		1,000.00
(o)	Interest on Loans (Surplus)	\$ 1,000.00
(p)	Parks Summer Maintenance	\$ 350.00
(q)	Maine Municipal Assoc., Dues	\$ 499.00
(r)	Workmen's Compensation Insurance	
	Carry Balance of	\$ 515.00
		\$ 700.00
(s)	Dump Operations	
	Carry Balance of	\$ 929.80
	(Federal Revenue Sharing)	\$ 3,000.00
(t)	Town Security Patrols	\$ 600.00
(u)	Tax Discount	\$ 2,000.00
(v)	Tax Map Up-Date	\$ 200.00

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to contract with the Liberty Volunteer Ambulance Service Inc., for one year, pay a sum of \$400.00 per year as a retainer fee, and vote to raise the fee of

\$ 400.00

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Kno-Wal-Lin Community Health Service.

\$ 400.00

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to support Educational TV Station WCBB, Channel 10.

\$ 150.00

- Art. 26. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the Maine Publicity Bureau. \$ 18.00
- Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money for Central Maine Area Agency on Aging. \$ 327.00
- Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money for Community Alcohol Service. \$ 300.00
- Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money for the Belfast Area Children's Center \$ 100.00
- Art. 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money for the Mid-Coast Mental Health Center. \$ 391.00
- Art. 31. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise for the support of the Waldo County Y.M.C.A. \$ 100.00
- Art. 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise the following sum for the Transportation Program of the Waldo County Committee for Social Action. \$ 250.00
- Art. 33. To see if the Town will authorize that portion of Dog Licensing fee retained by the Town to be used in the Stray Dog Account.
Carry Balance of \$ 493.09
- Art. 34. To see if the Town will appropriate from Surplus a sum of money for the purpose of building and maintaining bridges and trails in Searsmont for Snowmobiles.
(Surplus) \$ 150.00
- Art. 35. To see if the Town will vote to carry a sum of money for Parks and Recreation Committee.
Carry Balance of \$ 208.47
\$ 200.00
- Art. 36. To see if the Town will enact a change in the election procedure to establish a printed paper ballot for Town Offices which would require nomination papers and posting of candidates prior to the Town Meeting.
- Art. 37. To see if the Town will authorize the change in the election of Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor to serve a three year term rather than the current one year term. This will be effective at the next election of officers and will be staggered for one selectman to be elected each year.

- Art. 38. Shall the Town of Searsmont prohibit the operation of bottle clubs, which are defined as any person operating on a regular basis a premise for social activities in which members or guests provide their own alcoholic beverages, where no alcoholic beverages are sold on the premises and which maintains suitable quarters for the use of members on a regular basis or charges an admission fee to members or to the general public?
- Art. 39. To see if the Town will vote to accept a sum of money, \$600.00; \$300.00 each, for the Frederick Walls lot and the Frank Jones lot, for perpetual care in the Hillcrest Cemetery in North Searsmont.
- Art. 40. To see what Action the Town wishes to take to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any Real Estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and execute a quit claim deed for such property provided such property has been assessed as having no significant value to the Town.

A true Copy, Attest

Claudia R. Lewis, Town Clerk

John H. Thorne
Clarence W. Drinkwater
John F. Robson
Board of Selectmen
Town of Searsmont

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OFFICE HOURS

Tax Collector & Town Clerk
Town Offices Second Floor, Community Building

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30-11:30 A.M.
Monday and Thursday 7 - 8 P.M.
(Closed Monday evenings from November 1st thru March 31st.)
First Saturday each month 1 - 3 P.M.
Closed on all Maine State legally recognized holidays.

Selectmen

Will meet on the 1st Saturday of each month 1 - 5 P.M.

TOWN SANITARY LANDFILL Crie Road

Saturday 8 A.M. to
5 P.M.
Wednesday (Summer only 6/13 to 8/19) 1 - 5 P.M.

Notice! The Sanitary Landfill has been Posted for hunting and in addition according to State Law it is illegal to discharge firearms within the Landfill Site.

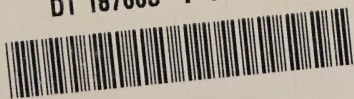
Parking During the Winter Season

During the snowplowing season it is unlawful to park any vehicle in such a manner that it would interfere with the plowing of snow on a public way.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Fire	342-5140
Constable	342-5563
Sheriff	1-338-2040
State Police	1-800-452-4664
Town Office	342-5411
Town Clerk	342-5411
Dog Warden	342-5563

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